

Bay Area Water Treatment Plant 2701 N. Euclid Avenue Bay City, MI 48706

Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee November 2, 2023 @ 9:00 A.M.

| Partner | Member | Alternate |
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| Charter Township of Bangor | Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman) | Karie Wardynski |
| City of Bay City | Bob Dion | Marty Jurish |
| Bay County Road Commission/ | Jim Lillo | Bill Schumacher |
| Department of Water & Sewer | | |
| Beaver Township | Nick Tomczak | Tom Meier |
| City of Essexville | Craig Goulet | Scott Wittbrodt |
| Frankenlust Township | Ron Campbell (Chairman) | Jim Begick |
| Fraser Township | George Augustyniak | Mark Galus |
| Charter Township of Hampton | Terri Close | Donna Samyn |
| Kawkawlin Township | Sam Davidson | Sherrie Kruse |
| Merritt Township | Dave Schabel | Kathy Parrent |
| Charter Township of Monitor | Gary Brandt | Terry Spencer |
| City of Pinconning | Becky Lakin | George Johnson |
| Charter Township of Portsmouth | Bob Pawlak | Kevin Kokaly |
| Charter Township of Williams | Will Butterfield | Jerry Putt |

1. Call to Order:

Chairman; R. Campbell called the Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call - Members Present:

Ron Campbell (Chairman) Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman)

Jim Lillo Sam Davidson

Bob Dion Bob Pawlak

Terri Close Craig Goulet

Dave Schabel Becky Lakin

George Augustyniak Gary Brandt

Alternates Present:

George Johnson Marty Jurish

Jerry Putt

Others Present:

Ryan Goebel

Keri Christian

Trevor Jacobs

Carl Overly

Jennifer Schwager

Members Absent:

Will Butterfield

Nick Tomczak

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Approval of Minutes:

<u>Vice-Chairman</u>; G. Rowley motioned to approve the October 5, 2023 minutes as presented. G. Augustyniak supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment:

None

6. 2024 BAWTP Budget Approval:

J. Lillo motioned to approve the 2024 BAWTP Budget as presented. D. Schabel supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Superintendent Report:

Superintendent; C. Overly presented and reviewed the October average daily flows. A 2022-2023 flow comparison graph was displayed. Due to record lows since August, a testing procedure to gauge the flow meter performance has been developed to verify if the readings are accurate. Carl explained the testing procedure. A flow meter benchmark has been established; more testing is needed to make a final analysis. The Lauria Rd. flow meter recorded under reported flows during the test. The Euclid Ave. flow meter was replaced earlier this year.

The EPA recently did a chemical supply chain assessment at the BAWTP. No red flags were noted by the EPA. They offered limited recommendations and commended the chemical simplicity of the treatment process and the facility's operational and financial flexibility.

The Operator Mechanic position has been filled. The new team member starts this month.

The new air dryer (2023 CIP) has been installed in the blower room. The internal installation was a success.

The emergency bypass spool (EBS) was test fitted on 10/24/2023. The two points of connection have misalignments that need to be addressed. Conti is currently working on the necessary modifications and they should have submittals back soon.

- G. Augustyniak questioned about the flow decrease and how it will impact revenues
- S. Davidson inquired about the raw water billing process
- T. Close asked about the age and accuracy of the water meters being used

Director Report:

Director; R. Goebel provided a general report on the Linwood Metro connection. Linwood will be holding a meeting at Kawkawlin Township that will be open to the public. A water supply agreement is being prepared.

The lobby at the DWS Administration Building will be opening up full-time as of January 3, 2024.

8. PFAS Class Action Settlement:

Ryan explained the two different class action settlements in play regarding PFAS water contamination done by 3M and DuPont. He gave a detailed explanation of eligibility requirements, the two phases, and the three options within these settlements. Deadlines were also presented. Bay County DWS pursued legal council and the recommendation was shared. Ryan reviewed the different variables involved. A lengthy discussion followed.

- T. Close motioned; S. Davidson supported the BAWTP to opt in filing a PFAS Class Action Settlement claim. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Pawlak inquired about the legal council

Vice-Chairman; G. Rowley questioned specifications of the online portal

G. Augustyniak asked about PFAS sampling procedures

9. Other Matters:

None

10. Public Comment:

Accounting & HR Manager; K. Christian plans to meet with each community before year end to review the 2024 fiscal budget and any potential rate changes.

11. Adjourn:

<u>D. Schabel motioned to adjourn the meeting.</u> <u>G. Augustyniak supported the motion.</u> <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u> The meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Schwager

WTP Administrative Assistant

Approved:

DATE